

Library News

By Ms. Kathy McKibben
Children's and YA Librarian
 We would like to tell you about some upcoming events at the Rockcastle Library. Summer Reading 2003 sign up begins on Tuesday, May 27th. Information concerning this event will be distributed to the schools in the county. The theme for this year is *Reading Expedition*. We hope that you will consider letting your child participate in this program. It is a wonderful opportunity to introduce them to the library if you haven't already. Our aim and goal is to continue promoting literacy and creativity. The Summer Reading Program is open to all to participate, adults as well as children. Incentives will be given along the way as the books are read.
 Several businesses have responded to be a part of SRP 2003, this is going to help make it a huge success. Wendy's and Pizza Hut of Mt. Vernon are partners with us again this year. Coupons will be given out for so many books read at a time. Ronald McDonald will be here, as usual, for the closing program. Other businesses have made monetary donations, which are greatly appreciated, and some have offered supplies. We appreciate all of you, and each

and every business will be specifically named at the end of the program in July. We are still getting some responses and don't want to leave anyone out. There is still time to respond if you haven't already. *Working together as a community works!*
 Several books have been added to the Adult library. Adult Fiction: *The Second Time Around* by Mary Higgins Clark; *Silver Creek* by A.H. Holt; *The Love Trap* by Fran Shaw; *Just Grace* by Carolyn Brown and *Hardscrabble Valley* by James Rhodes. Several easy readers were added to the Children's Library. Juvenile fiction books added include *Aftermath* from the *Remnants* Series by K.A. Applegate; *One Morning in Maine* by Robert McCloskey; *Out of the Ocean* by Debra Frasier; *Pizza for Everyone* by Josh McDowell. Juvenile non-fiction: *Barney's Favorite Mother Goose Rhymes* by Stephen White; *Great Inventions* by Richard Wood and *Autumn Leaves* by Ken Robbins.
 Remember Story Hour every Tuesday at 1 p.m. for preschoolers. Watch for upcoming events at the library this summer!
 Make the connection, connect @your library!

Church News

Rummage and Bake Sale
 Skaggs Creek Church will hold a Rummage and Bake Sale Saturday, May 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be yard sales, crafts and a Mother's Day gifts. All proceeds go to the church.

Revival at Climax Holiness Church
 Climax Holiness Church will be in revival beginning May 11 at 7 o'clock nightly. Bro. Harvey Henley will be preaching.

Special Singing
 There will be a singing at the Skaggs Creek Baptist Church on Thursday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. The Sons Family from Mt. Sterling will be featured. Allen Hensley, pastor, and the congregation welcome everyone.

Ladies Retreat 2003
 Bride of Christ Ministries with The singing Byrds will hold a Ladies Retreat 2003 at the Red Barn Theater in Renfro Valley May 30 and 31. Special Guest will be Dr. Carolina Curtis. Friday, May 30, services will be at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Lunch will follow the Friday morning service. For additional retreat or motel information call 859-854-5900 or 859-854-6582.

Please Notice
 We are a small Baptist Church looking for a building where we can hold our worship services, preferably in the Laurel County area. If anyone knows of an old church building that is not being used, or any other suitable building, call 256-1572.

Soup Bean Supper & Singing
 Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church will have a soup bean supper and singing afterwards on Saturday, May 10, beginning at 5 p.m. Proceeds benefit the church.

Revival at Church of God
 Revival services will be held May 11-16 at the Mt. Vernon Church of God. Ron and Ruby Smith will lead the services. Pastor is Bobby Owens. Everyone welcome.

Births Announced
 According to a press release from Patten A. Clay Regional Medical Center, four babies were born to Rockcastle couples during April, 2003.
 They were: April 6, 2003, a daughter born to Michael and Susan Lovell of Mt. Vernon.
 April 9, 2003, a daughter born to William Pigg and Stefanie Perez of Brookhead.
 April 10, 2003, a son born to Brooks and Carissa Ingram of Mt. Vernon.
 April 15, 2003, a son born to Jackie Anderson, Jr. and Shonda Anderson of Mt. Vernon.

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A Soldier Salute



Michael Parsons serving in USAF

Michael K. Parsons has been commissioned a 2nd Lt in the United States Air Force. He is a 2002 graduate of the University of Kentucky with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering.
 He is stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB as a Computer Engineer.
 Michael is the son of Lt Col (Ret) Kenneth and Linda Parsons of Berea and the grandson of Raymond and Virginia Nunn of Crab Orchard.



Travis Eller serving in Iraq

Travis Eller, a 2000 graduate of RCHS, is a member of the U.S. Army and is currently serving in Iraq.



Dallas Rigbsy in Kuwait

Dallas Rigbsy, a 1996 graduate of RCHS, is a member of the U.S. Marine Corps deployed to Kuwait.



Geoff Fife sent to Kuwait with US Army

Geoff Fife, a 1999 graduate of RCHS, is a member of the U.S. Army stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas. He is currently serving in Kuwait.

If you would like to include your family member bring a picture and info. to the Mt. Vernon Signal or mail to PO Box 185 Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

Phase I Hay Structures

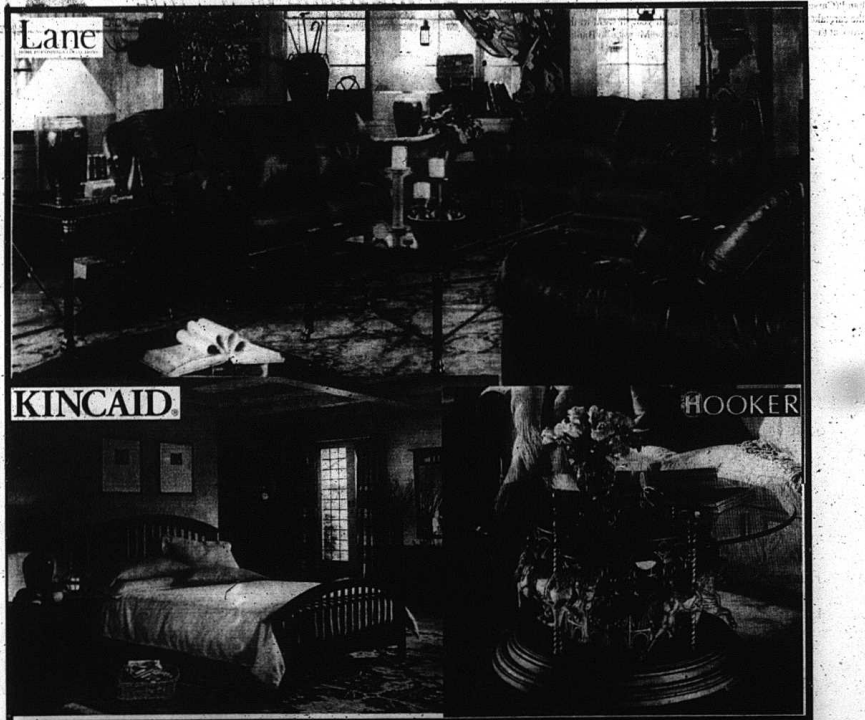
By Tom Mills
 County Ext. Agent for Agriculture/Natural Resources

The Rockcastle County Cattlemen's Association and Rockcastle Agriculture Development Council are planning to invest 2003's Phase I money in a state model program for hay storage. A cost-share program will invest \$190,000 in hay storage facilities.
 Guidelines from the state model program are:
 *The sole purpose for the structure is hay storage.
 *Applicants are required to provide a plan/budget and requested amount of funding with the application.
 *Applicants are required to attend an educational session on hay storage and construction.
 *Applicants shall retain adequate insurance coverage to replace any and all structures erected with or improved by cost-share funds, plus retain ownership for 5 years.
 *Cost-share funds cannot exceed 50% of project cost or \$5,000.
 *Materials and construction of permanent hay sheds, pole barns or

quonset-but type hay storage facilities qualify.
 *All materials must be on a company bill. No in-kind labor or material will be cost-shared.
 *All funds will be distributed on a reimbursement basis. Ninety percent of approved funds shall be distributed after review of paid receipts, plus certification of improvements/installation and site visit for photograph of completed facility. The remaining 10% of approved funds shall be distributed after all other reporting requirements are met.
 Applications will be available May 1 through May 30, 2003 at the Rockcastle County Extension Service on West Main Street. Following approval, applicants have 60 days to start construction and all construction must be finished by October 30, 2003. Failure to meet these guidelines will deny funding.
 For more information, contact Tom Mills at 256-2403.
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